Indian Railways Land Development Authority

†1982. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to commercialise the vacant railway land;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to constitute the Indian Railway Land Authority for this purpose; and

(c) if so, by when the same would be constituted and when the same would start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Railways (Amendment) Bill, 2004 to make commercial use of Railway land (and air space) as one of Railway works by amending Section 11 of the Railways Act, 1989 and to set up Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) to commercially utilise the railway land has been introduced in Rajya Sabha on 20.12.04 and stands referred to the Standing Committee on Railways.

Railway zones and their earnings

1983. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway zones in the country;

(b) the earnings of railways, zone-wise; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) There are sixteen railway zones in the country.

(b) and (c) The earnings of railways, zone-wise and their details are as under:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Sl. No.	Zonal Railway	Headqu-arter	Earnings April 2004 to Jan 2005 (Rs. in Crore)				
			Passenger	Other Coaching	Goods	Sundries	Total
1.	Central	Mumbai	1544.95	113.13	2002.62	58.02	3718.72
2.	Eastern	Kolkata	732.46	62.72	901.88	43.7	1740.76
3.	East Central	Hajipur	621.61	32.89	1781.05	22.77	2458.32
4.	East Coast	Bhubaneswar	254.12	12.41	2391.57	16.28	2674.38
5.	Northern	New Delhi	1782.81	135.25	2097.65	272.72	4288.43
6.	North Central	Allahabad	813.95	27.16	2270.84	34.94	3146.89
7.	North Eastern	Gorakhpur	409.31	20.27	352.84	22.08	804.50
8.	Northeast Frontier	Guwahati	259.67	33.62	610.2	27.51	931.00
9.	North Western	Jaipur	405.14	40.48	701.29	18.87	1165.78
10.	Southern	Chennai	1012.02	98.22	907.49	83.82	2101.55
11.	South Central	Secunderabad	982.5	55.63	2300.84	50.68	3389.65
12.	South Eastern	Kolkata	371.43	23.81	1934.73	34.5	2364.47
13.	South East Central	Bilaspur	209.2	9.67	2426.65	8.96	2654.48
14.	South Western	Hubli	360.83	28.65	650.63	18.48	1058.59
15.	Western	Mumbai	1291.36	56.97	1889.87	72.97	3311.17
16.	West Central	Jabalpur	484.93	24.46	1725.94	21.51	2256.84
	GRAND TOTAL:		11536.29	775.34	24946.09	807.81	38065.53

Wagons for iron ore

1984. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that South Eastern Railways, a major freight loading zonal railway, has cut down allocation of wagons for movement of iron ore for export;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether this would not hit hard the exporters; and